



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 5.9

Soil moisture supplies: 8% very short, 23% short, 61% adequate and 8% surplus

Field Crops Report

Showers were widespread across the state. Rice producers continued to harvest with yields reported to be good. Soybean producers were harvesting early maturing varieties and respectable yields were being reported in spite of the dry weather earlier in the growing season. Soybean producers applied fungicides and sprayed for stinkbugs. Sugarcane producers remained busy with planting. Sorghum producers continued to harvest.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Crawfish producers reported problems with armyworms in rice planted for crawfish. Vegetable producers continued to harvest eggplants, watermelons, peas, okra, and mustard greens. Strawberry producers prepared their fields.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Cattlemen made preparations for winter pastures and continued to harvest hay.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2008	5 YR AVG
Corn	Mature	96	87	100	99
	Harvested	39	19	41	38
Cotton	Setting Bolls	100	99	95	99
	Bolls Opening	18	4	28	25
Hay	Second Cutting	71	64	84	81
Peaches	Harvested	100	96	100	100
Rice	Headed	97	92	97	97
	Ripe	64	41	64	71
	Harvested	31	10	33	44
Sorghum	Turning Color	98	91	98	94
	Harvested	35	8	37	35
Soybeans	Blooming	100	98	99	99
	Setting Pods	97	94	90	95
	Turning Color	43	31	32	44
	Dropping Leaves	19	0	21	26
Sugarcane	Planted	22	10	12	14
CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	6	23	43	25	3
Cotton	1	15	36	39	9
Rice	1	2	17	57	23
Sorghum	4	26	53	17	0
Soybeans	5	13	43	32	7
Sugarcane	5	10	33	42	10
Livestock	2	7	39	47	5
Vegetables	9	18	46	26	1
Pasture	5	15	34	41	5

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LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 08/10/09 TO 08/16/09

AIR					PRECIPITATION			
TEMPERATURE					WEEKLY	FOUR	YR. TO	
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	TOTAL	WEEKS	DATE	NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	95	69	83	83	0.07	9.49	35.32	33.32
Minden	93	69	81	82	0.00	7.57	34.96	35.79
Mooringsport	95	69	82	MM	0.20	9.18	36.57	29.38
Extreme/Average	95	69	82	83	0.09	8.75	35.62	33.98
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	94	66	82	83	0.00	3.96	28.16	36.34
Homer/Hill Farm	94	(64)	79	81	0.05	6.97	31.11	35.82
ULM-Monroe	96	67	83	83	0.04	2.79	26.86	37.92
Columbia Lock	95	68	81	MM	0.19	7.34	31.16	39.48
Extreme/Average	96	64	81	82	0.07	5.27	29.32	36.99
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	94	70	83	82	0.00	4.02	33.16	39.18
LSU-St Joseph	95	70	83	82	0.26	8.50	30.83	37.76
LSU-Winnsboro	95	70	83	82	0.26	6.93	33.55	37.33
Tallulah	93	69	82	82	0.05	5.24	38.09	39.00
Extreme/Average	95	69	83	82	0.14	6.17	34.03	38.27
4. West-Central								
Leesville	94	69	82	81	0.40	3.43	27.44	36.64
LSU-Rosepine	95	69	82	82	0.04	2.52	27.55	37.45
Natchitoches	(98)	72	85	83	0.40	6.84	30.90	35.50
Extreme/Average	98	69	83	82	0.28	4.26	28.63	36.10
5. Central								
Alexandria	98	73	85	83	0.00	7.45	31.49	38.37
Brusly	94	70	82	81	0.14	1.87	27.45	41.68
Bunkie	96	72	84	82	0.00	3.44	32.25	39.68
LSU-Alexandria	95	72	84	82	0.01	4.31	32.71	36.88
Extreme/Average	98	70	83	83	0.05	4.54	30.08	38.84
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	95	72	83	MM	1.55	4.66	30.32	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	95	72	83	82	0.39	2.55	27.73	40.58
LSU-Clinton	MM	MM	MM	81	M.MM	3.12	24.96	41.61
LSU-Hammond	95	71	83	82	0.20	1.50	21.50	42.67
Slidell	94	71	83	82	0.26	3.85	26.61	41.85
Extreme/Average	95	71	83	82	0.60	3.14	26.54	42.89
7. Southwest								
DeRidder	97	72	84	82	0.06	5.02	32.02	38.64
Jennings	95	74	85	82	1.27	3.55	28.79	37.66
LSU-Crowley	95	72	84	82	0.21	3.75	35.16	38.64
Extreme/Average	97	72	84	83	0.51	4.11	31.99	38.65
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	94	71	82	82	1.16	2.53	32.01	40.23
LSU-Jeanerette	94	73	84	81	0.76	3.27	36.28	40.34
Morgan City	93	70	83	81	1.56	2.49	25.82	41.76
Extreme/Average	94	70	83	83	1.16	2.76	31.37	40.89
9. Southeast								
Galliano	91	73	83	82	1.45	7.31	31.30	43.40
Houma	96	73	84	82	1.10	3.57	24.46	42.13
Terrytown 3S	93	75	84	MM	3.07	7.50	34.60	MM.MM
Reserve	MM	MM	MM	82	M.MM	M.MM	10.08	43.60
Extreme/Average	96	73	83	83	1.87	6.13	30.12	42.14

State

State Averages 98 64 83 82 0.52 4.96 30.69 38.90

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through August 16, 2009

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